

PATENT Amdt. dated April 14, 2006

Amendments to the Claims:

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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- (Currently amended) An isolated polypeptide having PhzO activity encoded by a 8. nucleic acid molecule selected from the group consisting of:
- (a) a nucleotide sequence as given in SEQ ID NO:1 from nucleotide 76 to nucleotide 1564 or from nucleotide 89 to nucleotide 1564;
- (b) a nucleotide sequence encoding a polypeptide having PhzO activity comprising an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2;
- (c) a nucleic acid sequence having at least 50% nucleotide sequence identity with SEQ ID NO:1 from nucleotide 89 through nucleotide 1564 and wherein said nucleic acid sequence encodes a polypeptide having PhzO activity;
- (d) a nucleic acid sequence encoding a polypeptide having an amino acid sequence which has at least 60% sequence identity with SEQ ID NO:2 and wherein said encoded polypeptide has PhzO activity;
- (e) a nucleic acid sequence which hybridizes under medium or high stringency conditions with the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1 from nucleotide 89 through nucleotide 1564 and wherein said DNA sequence encodes a polypeptide having PhzO activity; and
- (f) a subsequence of (a), (b), (c), (d) or (e) of at least 100 nucleotides wherein the subsequence encodes a polypeptide fragment which has PhzO activity.
- (Currently amended) An isolated polypeptide having PhzO activity, selected from 9. the group consisting of:
 - (a) a polypeptide having an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2;

- (b) a polypeptide having an amino acid sequence which has at least 60% identity with amino acids 1 to 491 of SEQ ID NO:2;
- (c) a polypeptide encoded by a nucleic acid sequence which hybridizes under medium stringency or high stringency conditions with (i) SEQ ID NO:1 from nucleotide 89 through nucleotide 1564; (ii) a subsequence of (i) of at least 100 nucleotides, or (iii) a complementary strand of (i) or (ii); and
- (d) a fragment of (a), (b) or (c) that has the ability to convert phenazine-1earboxylic acid to a 2-hydroxylated phenazine.